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Your City at Work for You: Bagged Leaf Pickup

SPRINGFIELD, OH— (November 4, 2016)— This year, the Arbor Day Foundation celebrated the 40th anniversary of the Tree City USA program, and the City of Springfield was one of only three Ohio communities that were recognized for participating throughout all 40 years.

Springfield's trees provide many benefits to the community, including providing shade, improving air quality and reducing storm water runoff. During the autumn months, the same trees that do so much for the community throughout the year cause some extra work.

As leaves begin to fall, they can clog storm drains in streets and parking lots. The Springfield Service Department crews make an effort to clean storm drains in known trouble spots and highly traveled areas. Residents can help them in this effort by not blowing grass and leaves into the streets, gutters or storm drains.

On Saturday, Nov. 12, and Saturday, Dec. 3, the City of Springfield will be offering its annual bagged leaf pickup program. Leaves should be placed in paper or plastic bags supplied by residents and should be at the curb by 6 a.m. the day of the scheduled pickup. Prepaid paper bags are not required, and yard waste will not be collected.

Any questions regarding the leaf pickup should be directed to the Service Department at 937-525-5800.

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